Administrations for appropriate action. Central Government does not maintain any data of such cases.

***Production of Steel and Aluminium***

422. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) the total production of steel and aluminium in the country during the years 1984-85, 1985-86 and the current financial year;

(b) whether there has been any increase or decrease in their production during this period;

(c) whether the production of steel and aluminium has been sufficient to meet the domestic requirements; and

(d) what steps are being taken by Government to increase their production?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI K. C. PANT): (a) Required information is given below:—

| Year | Finished Steel Production (Lakh tonnes) | Aluminium Production (Tonnes) |
|---|---|---|
| 1984-°5 . . | 88·59 | 276,432 |
| 1985-86 . . | 4·45 | 264,826 |
| 1986-87 . . | 106·88* | 213,795** |

*Estimated.

**Upto January, 1987.

(b) While there has been an increase in the production of finished steel during this period there has been a marginal drop in the production of aluminium.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Steps taken/being taken to increase production of steel in the country include modernisation/technological upgradation of plants, improved plant and equipment maintenance, optimisation of captive power generation, ensuring availability of adequate inputs and of right quality. In addition, the Visakhapatnam Steel Plant Project is under implementation.

As the main constraint in the production of aluminium is inadequate availability of power, the production of aluminium is sought to be increased through setting up of captive power plant for BALCO's Smelter, regular liaison with the concerned State Electricity Boards for ensuring adequate power supply to the aluminium smelters of INDAL & MALCO and setting up of an integrated Bauxite Alumina—aluminium complex with a captive power plant in Orissa.

**Demolition of Encroachments by DDA**

423. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what has been the results of the drive of the DDA to demolish encroachment on public lands by the unauthorised occupants during the last two years; and

(b) what is the total area of land thus acquired so far by the DDA?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) 21675 encroachments/unauthorised constructions had been removed by DDA during the period 1-1-85 to 31-12-86.

(b) The DDA has stated that no survey/measurement was undertaken at the time of clearance of encroachments and, as such, statistics regarding area cleared as a result of demolitions are not available.